

20 July 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Meeting with [ ] Representatives

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1. Time and Place of Meeting: 16 June 1954 in [ ]

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2. Attendance: [ ]

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3. Purpose: to obtain ten Coleman lanterns for test and demonstration [ ]

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4. Discussion:

a. [ ] expressed concern over their seeming inability to keep books - they had not received any payment on their billing as far back as March 1954.

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b. [ ] asked if they would submit a proposal for about 100 Fresnel lenses as spare parts for Task II and was emphatically answered "No". [ ] then stated that his company would under no circumstances short of all-out war consider a research type contract, and that although they do not expect to make or lose a fortune, their bookkeeping system was not set up for government contracts and the task of revamping would be out of proportion, hence the decision to submit no further proposals of this type. [ ] asked for a competitive bid on the Fresnel lenses.

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c. [ ] had questions about packing the lanterns. Two packed lanterns were drop tested from 52" and withstood the shock in fine fashion. It was agreed to ship ten units [ ] at his home address as another address would be impossible to use and obtain these by the required date. (These arrived Express Collect \$11.05 paid by [ ])

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5. Recommendations and Conclusions: one concludes that [ ] wants no more research type contracts.

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6. Actions: APD will inquire about lack of payment and attempt to facilitate.

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